



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5078

LCO No. 56

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:

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***AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEFINITION OF "PHYSICALLY
HELPLESS" WITH RESPECT TO SEXUAL ASSAULT OFFENSES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That subdivision (6) of section 53a-65 of the general statutes be
- 2 amended to redefine "physically helpless" with respect to sexual
- 3 assault offenses to include a person with a severe physical or
- 4 intellectual disability who cannot verbalize a lack of consent to sexual
- 5 contact despite being conscious at the time of the sexual contact.

Statement of Purpose:

To redefine "physically helpless" with respect to sexual assault offenses to include a physical or intellectual disability that renders an individual unable to verbalize a lack of consent.